

RHODE ISLAND 1115 DEMONSTRATION**FACT SHEET**

Name of Section 1115 Demonstration: Rhode Island RX+

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SUMMARY

The demonstration is a statewide program that extends pharmacy services and related medical management interventions to certain low-income adults with disabilities and seniors with incomes at or below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). The current state-only programs Rhode Island Pharmacy Assistance Program for the Elderly (RIPAE), General Public Assistance Program (GPA), and Community Medical Assistance Program (CMAP) will be partially subsumed by the demonstration. The RIX+ demonstration proposed to cover not more than 40,000 enrollees.

ELIGIBILITY

Individuals eligible for RIX+ must meet the following requirements:

- Residents of Rhode Island;
- Be age 65 or older;
- People with Disabilities age 19 to 64;
- People with Chronic Mental Health Condition age 19 or older;
- Income at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level; and
- Not otherwise eligible for Medicaid.

The State does not intend to apply an asset test to the demonstration population.

BENEFIT PACKAGE

All prescriptions drugs covered under the Medicaid State Plan are covered under this demonstration.

COST-SHARING

- Participants in the RIX+ will pay an annual enrollment fee of \$25, which will be waived during the first year of implementation and thereafter if the expenditures are below expected levels.
- CMAP enrollees co-payments for psychotropic prescription drugs will be waived.
- All participants will pay co-payments at the point of service. There is a three-tiered co-payment system based on levels of the States share of expenditures:
 - Level 1 – Below \$1,800

Generic	\$2
Brand name/no generic	\$8
Brand multi-source	\$25
 - Level 2 - \$1,800 & up

Generic	\$4
Brand name/no generic	\$12
Brand multi-source	\$25

ENROLLMENT PROCESS

Applications will be handled by the Department of Human Services.

DELIVERY SYSTEM

All services for the RIX+ will be delivered through the current network of enrolled Medicaid providers on a fee-for-service basis. The majority of the demonstration enrollees already have some form of primary care coverage that includes medication management. Demonstration enrollees who do not have a source of primary care coverage will receive one visit to a primary care provider for routine medical services including medication coordination or two therapeutic drug management consultations per year with licensed pharmacist. Reimbursement for prescriptions provided will be the same as in the Medicaid program.

BENEFIT REQUIREMENT

The demonstration would provide benefit management through a variety of strategies:

- Pharmacy Benefit Manager
- Point of Sale System
- Third Party Liability
- Prior Authorization
- Drug Utilization Review
- Preferred Drug List

- Pharmacist Consultation
- Provider Education
- Disease State Management
- Electronic Prescribing (**Tentative 2004**)

PRIVATE INSURANCE ASSISTANCE

To provide an incentive for individuals who have private insurance coverage from dropping that Coverage to enroll in the demonstration, demonstration eligible individuals with income above 150% of FPL and private insurance coverage for pharmaceuticals may choose to receive a monthly \$25 incentive payment rather than a direct demonstration benefit. This will assist with premiums and co-payments of the other insurance.

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